



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date June 8, 2005

In re the Application of

Stephen Peter FITZGERALD et al.

Group Art Unit: 1743

Application No.: 09/389,082

Examiner: L. Cross

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For: IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO ASSAY DEVICES

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND  
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired June 7, 2005, an extension of time for a period of 1 month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 167458 in the amount of \$120 in payment for:

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